



SERVICE LETTER

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ANTI - TORQUE CONTROL PEDAL SEPARATION

This Service Information Letter is issued to inform owners and operators of MD900 helicopters of an accident where an anti-torque control pedal separated from the pedal shaft assembly. This incident is under investigation. A possible cause may be poor penetration on the fillet weld on the pedal support plate and fatigue (Ref. Figure 1).

If a pedal should separate from the shaft, anti-torque control can be maintained by the pilot placing his foot on the pedal shaft to maintain directional control. If this occurs in flight, perform a normal landing as soon as possible.

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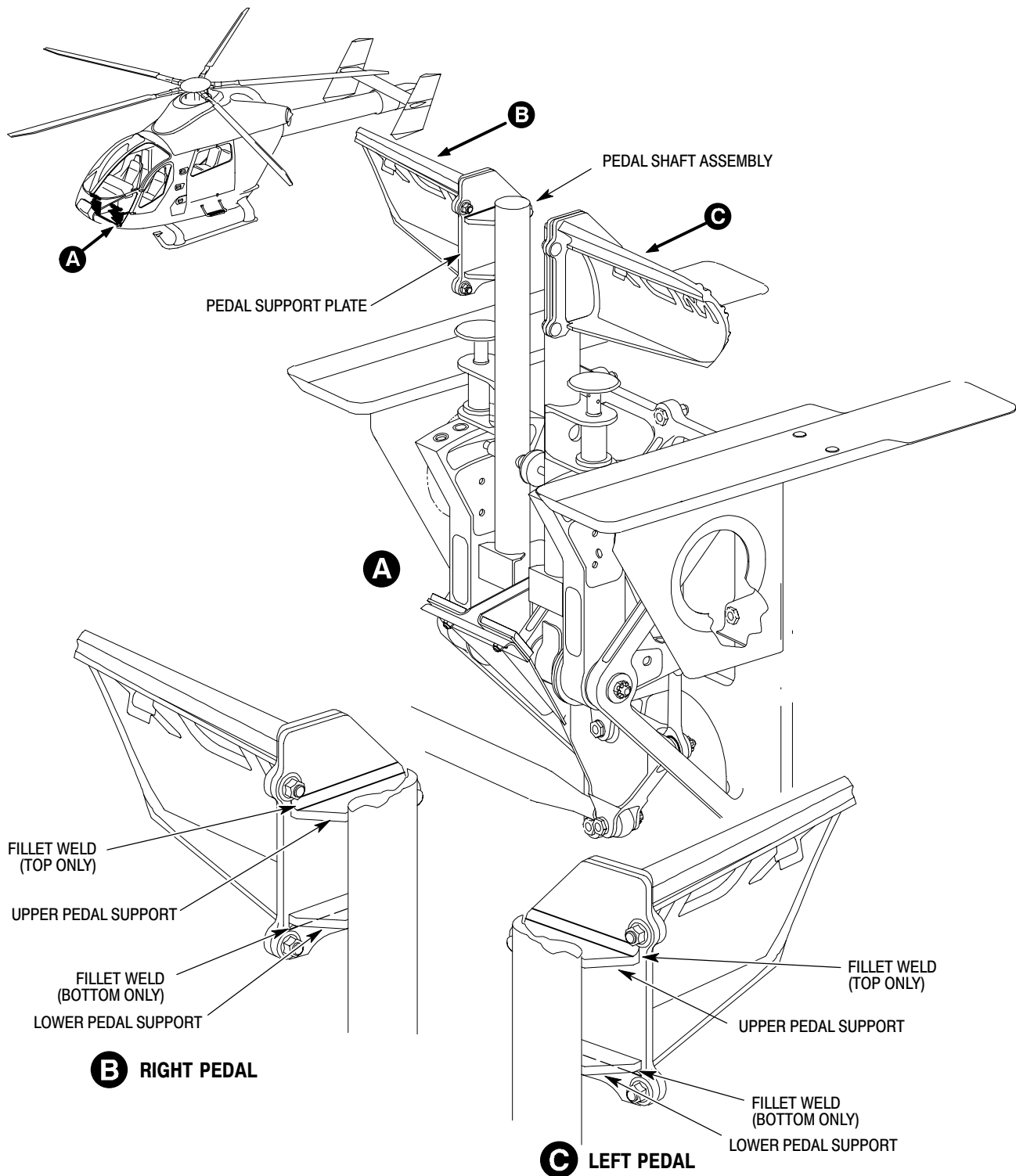


Figure 1. Anti-Torque Control Pedal Installation

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